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RESPONSE TO REQUIREMENT FOR RESTRICTION  
AND ELECTION OF SPECIES

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to an office Action mailed December 28, 2001, please amend the application as follows:

In the Claims:

Please amend Claims 1-2, 6-8, 10-14, 16, 20, 21, 23-32, 34, 35, and 37-46 as follows:

1. (Amended) A method for controlling body fat in an animal, the method comprising the step of:  
reducing lipoxxygenase activity in the animal by an amount sufficient to control body fat in the animal.

2. (Amended) A method for controlling body fat in an animal, the method comprising the step of:  
administering a lipoxxygenase inhibitor to the animal in an amount sufficient to control body fat in the animal.

3. The method of claim 2, wherein the lipoxxygenase inhibitor is selected from the